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In re Application of  
Adam Canni, Scott Shields, and Clifford  
Krapfl  
Application No. 10/758,563  
Filed: January 15, 2004  
Attorney Docket No. LEAR 0660 R  
Title: OVERHEAD CONSOLE FOR A  
VEHICLE

DECISION ON PETITION UNDER  
37 C.F.R. §1.47(A)

This is in response to the petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.47(a)<sup>1</sup>, filed May 27, 2004.

On January 15, 2004, the application was deposited without an executed oath or declaration, identifying Adam Canni, Scott Shields, and Clifford Krapfl as joint inventors. On April 21, 2004, applicant was mailed a "Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application - Filing Date Granted" (Notice), requiring an executed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.63, a surcharge for its late filing as well as the surcharge associated with the late submission of the same. This Notice set a two-month period for reply.

With the instant petition, Petitioner has also submitted the associated fee, a statement of facts, a declaration which has been executed by joint inventor Shields, the surcharge, copies of letters

<sup>1</sup>A grantable petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.47(a) requires:

- (1) the petition fee of \$130;
- (2) a surcharge of either \$65 or \$130 if the petition is not filed at the time of filing the application, as set forth in 37 CFR § 1.16(e);
- (3) a statement of the last known address of the non-signing inventors;
- (4) either
  - a) proof that a copy of the entire application (specification, claims, drawings, and the oath or declaration) was sent or given to the non-signing inventor for review and proof that the non-signing inventor refuses to join in the application or
  - b) proof that the non-signing inventor cannot be found or reached after diligent effort;
- (5) a declaration which complies with 37 CFR §1.63.

which were sent to the non-signing inventors, and evidence of a search which was performed for non-signing inventor Krapfl.

The above-identified application and papers have been reviewed and found in compliance with 37 CFR §1.47(a).

The petition is **GRANTED** and this application is hereby accorded Rule §1.47(a) status.

As provided in Rule 1.47(a), this Office will forward notice of this application's filing to the non-signing inventors at the addressees given in the petition. Notice of the filing of this application will also be published in the Official Gazette.

After this decision is mailed, the application will be returned to the Office of Initial Patent Examination for further processing.

Telephone inquiries regarding this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (703) 305-0011. Please note that on approximately September 28, 2004, the Office of Petitions will relocate to the new PTO location in Alexandria. Although the mailing address will remain the same, the general phone number for the Office of Petitions which should be used for status requests will change to 571-272-3282, and the telephone number for the undersigned will change to 571-272-3225.



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